

CLAIMS

1. Ophthalmic diagnostic apparatus characterized in that it includes a first body (2, 6) to be viewed from a predetermined position (4) and a second body (3, 7, 8) to be viewed from said position (4), each body being adapted to display ophthalmic test patterns, the second body (3, 7, 8) to be viewed being disposed between the first body (2, 6) to be viewed and the predetermined position (4), which first body (2, 6) to be viewed has a uniform state and a state for showing signs and which second body (3, 7, 8) to be viewed has a transparent state and a state for showing signs, and in that it further includes a control module (1, 5) for the first and second bodies to be viewed adapted to cause them to assume a first configuration in which the second body (3, 7, 8) to be viewed is in its state for showing signs and the first body (2, 6) to be viewed is in its uniform state and a second configuration in which the second body (3, 7, 8) to be viewed is in its transparent state and the first body (2, 6) to be viewed is in its state for showing signs.

2. Apparatus according to claim 1, characterized in that the first body to be viewed includes a first graphics screen (2, 6).

3. Apparatus according to either claim 1 or claim 2, characterized in that the second body to be viewed includes a second graphics screen (3, 7).

4. Apparatus according to any one of claims 1 to 3, characterized in that one of the bodies to be viewed has a higher resolution per unit area than the other body to be viewed.

5. Apparatus according to claim 4, characterized in that the body to be viewed having the higher resolution is disposed between the other body to be viewed and said position.

6. Apparatus according to claims 2 and 3, characterized in that the first graphics screen (2) and the second graphics screen (3) are substantially parallel.

5           7. Apparatus according to claim 6, characterized in that the first graphics screen (2) and the second graphics screen (3) are superposed.

10           8. Apparatus according to either claim 6 or claim 7, characterized in that the first graphics screen is a color screen (2) and the second graphics screen is a liquid crystal display (3).

15           9. Apparatus according to claim 8, characterized in that the second graphics screen includes a liquid crystal display (3) etched with predefined ophthalmic test patterns (9).

20           10. Apparatus according to any one of claims 1 to 5, characterized in that the second body to be viewed includes a second graphics screen (7) and a reflecting body (8) adapted to reflect the second graphics screen (7).

25           11. Apparatus according to claim 10, characterized in that a first graphics screen (6) belonging to the first body to be viewed is perpendicular to the second graphics screen (7) belonging to the second body to be viewed and the reflecting body includes a semitransparent sheet (8) disposed obliquely to the two graphics screens (6, 7).

30           12. Apparatus according to claim 11, characterized in that the second graphics screen (7) has a smaller area than the first graphics screen (6).